

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace paragraph bridging pages 16 and 17 with the following amended paragraph:

FIG. 5A is a front view of the third embodiment of the air shutter according to the present invention schematically showing fan arrangement, and FIG. ~~—4B—~~ 5B is a front view of an example for comparison showing fan arrangement.

Please replace the paragraph appearing at lines 15-19 of page 17 with the following amended paragraph:

FIG. 10A is a front view showing schematically the configuration of another example of air curtain producing apparatus of prior art, FIG. 10B is a section taken along lines ~~—?—~~ VI-VI in FIG. 10A, and FIG. 10 C is a side view of an example of down-flow type air curtain producing apparatus of prior art.

Please replace the paragraph appearing at lines 20-23 of page 17 with the following amended paragraph:

FIG. 11A is a front view schematically showing the configuration of another example of air curtain producing apparatus of prior art, and FIG. 11B is a section taken along lines ~~—?—~~ VII-VII in FIG. 11A.